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NEW UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner:

Herewith is the utility patent application of Applicant:

Paul V. CooperTITLE: SYSTEM FOR RELEASING GAS INTO MOLTEN METAL**Including:**

- ☐ Declaration
- ☒ Abstract
- 23 Pages of Specification (only specification and claims)
- 38 Numbered claims(s)
- 12 Sheets of drawing: ☒ informal ☐ formal
- ☐ This is a filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.47 (Petition attached)
- ☐ Attached: Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97-1.99
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- ☐ Attached: Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet
- ☒ Applicant asserts "small entity" status under 37 C.F.R. §§1.9 and 1.27
- ☐ Priority is hereby claimed under 37 C.F.R. §1.55 and 35 U.S.C. §119 based on prior U.S. Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____
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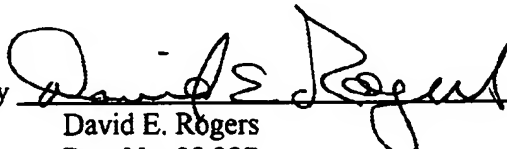
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